

Missouri Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) Ozark Highlands Region Scoring Worksheet - FY03

Field Office:		Date:	
Applicant(s):			
Address:			
Farm Number:	Tract Number:	Acres in Application:	
LRF:	New Farmer:	Livestock Operation:	if yes, type:

<p><i>Complete this scoring worksheet for each concern below. Score each tract on a separate scoring worksheet. Award points for practices planned to receive cost share and/or incentive payments. The final score will be the cumulative score of the three resource concern areas and the Special Emphasis Area.</i></p>	Percent Planned	Available Points	Points Awarded
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Special Emphasis/Water Quality Areas - 20 point maximum			
(1)	Offered acres are in the watershed of a 303d list stream. EQIP planned practice(s) must address the water quality concern in the watershed area identified.	10	A
	OR	5	
	Offered acres are in the watershed of a public drinking water supply reservoir.		
(2)	Percent of unbuffered perennial or intermittent streams, wetlands, sinkholes, or permanent waterbodies planned for buffers.	% X 8	B
(3)	Planned well plugging of all abandoned well(s) on offered acres.	2	C
Sub Total (A + B + C) =		20	D

Livestock Concerns - 80 point maximum			
(4)	Planned improvements made to an <u>existing</u> animal waste management system - such as implementing a waste utilization plan, installing manure transfer pipe, installing roofing over existing facilities, adding a composter to a facility, adding solid separation, adding a flush system or similar improvements, closing or converting an existing animal waste facility. Also planned improvements to address air quality such as animal waste digestors and/or farmstead windbreaks designed to control odors.	40	E
	OR		
	Planned conversion of an existing confined livestock operation to a grass based livestock production operation.	40	
	OR		
	Planned replacement of an inadequate or failing animal waste system or planned installation of a system on an <u>existing</u> operation for collection, storage and/or treatment of animal waste.		
	a. Planned 0-50% expansion.	40	
	b. Planned 51%-100% expansion.	30	
	c. Planned >100% of expansion.	20	
	OR		
	Planned installation of a <u>new</u> animal waste system for collection, storage, treatment for a <u>new</u> livestock operation and/or enterprise.	15	
(5)	Planned <u>new</u> prescribed grazing system:		F
	a. 8 or more paddocks	30	
	b. 4-7 paddocks	20	
	OR		
	<u>Existing</u> prescribed grazing system with plans to increase paddocks by 4 or more new paddocks.	12	
(6)	Plan to convert a minimum of 20% of existing cool season pasture and/or hayland acres to native warm season grasses.	6	G
(7)	Plan to improve a minimum of 30% of existing pasture acres by interseeding legumes.	4	H
Sub Total (E + F + G + H) =		80	I

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Wildlife and Forestry Concerns - 30 point maximum				
(8)	Planned practices address basic habitat requirements of bobwhite quail on the offered acres. <div style="text-align: center;">OR</div> Planned restoration of declining habitats - prairie, savanna, glade, riparian forest, permanent wetland - on the contract acres to be treated. Plan practices only on suitable soils.		% X 12	J
(9)	Planned practices benefit a federal threatened or endangered species or a state rare species (see eFOTG section II) on a minimum of 20% of the offered acres.		6	K
(10)	Agroforestry farming systems planned (minimum of 10 acres) on woodland or transitional soils.		4	L
(11)	Planned forest stand improvement (thinning) of overstocked woodlands (>100%) on a minimum of 10 acres.		3	M
(12)	Planned treatment of eroding areas on forest land (harvest trails, log landing areas, gullies, etc.).		3	N
(13)	Livestock exclusion planned on 90% of all forest land acres (livestock currently has access).		2	O
Sub Total (J + K + L + M + N + O) =			30	P
Cropland Concerns - 20 point maximum				
(14)	Percent of offered cropland acres planned for nutrient management.		% X 10	Q
(15)	Percent of offered cropland acres planned for pest management.		% X 5	R
(16)	Percent of offered cropland acres treated to reduce sheet and/or rill soil erosion (any practice that will reduce sheet and/or rill soil erosion from the existing condition) or treated to address air quality (any practice(s) that will have positive impacts on air quality, including crop rotation, cover crops, and/or buffer practices).		% X 5	S
Sub Total (Q + R + S) =			20	T
Total Points (D + I + P + T) =			150	
<p>I am submitting this Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) application to NRCS for consideration. I understand that any practices started prior to an application being selected for funding and approved as a contract are not eligible for EQIP funding.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 20px;"> Signature of Applicant Date </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 20px;"> Signature of NRCS/SWCD Technical Representative Date </div>				

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